



Attorney Docket No.: 18563-001110  
Client Reference: AT00014

### SUBSTITUTE DECLARATION

As below named inventors, we declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names. We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **ATTACHMENT DEVICES AND METHODS FOR A DENTAL APPLIANCE**, the specification of which was filed on December 3, 1999, as Application No. 09/454,278 and was amended on July 11, 2001.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56. We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

Application No.	Filing Date
60/110,881	December 4, 1998
60/050,342	June 20, 1997
60/110,189	November 30, 1998
60/050,342	June 20, 1997

We claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application No.	Date of Filing	Status
09/466,353 CIP	December 17, 1999	Pending
PCT/US98/12861 (Con't.)	June 19, 1998	Pending
08/947,080 CIP Pat No. 5,975,893	October 8, 1997	Issued
09/250,962 CIP Pat No. 6,183,248	February 16, 1999	Issued
09/169,034 CIP	October 8, 1998	Pending
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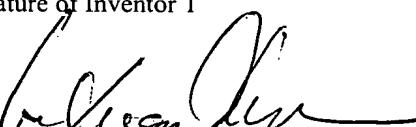
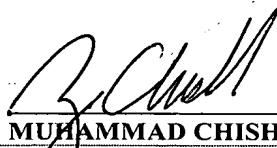
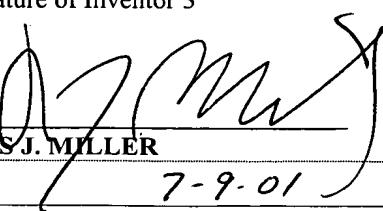
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We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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